

REMARKS

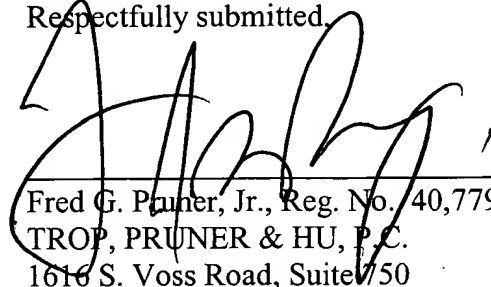
Entry of the amendment contained herein is requested before examination of the application due to the filing of a Request for Continued Examination (RCE).

Applicant maintains that the prior § 103 rejections fail to establish a *prima facie* case of obviousness for any of the claims for the reasons that were previously set forth. The claims have been amended to more positively recite certain aspects of the claimed invention for purposes of expediting prosecution. In particular, the claims have been amended to recite that in response to a request from a first computer for a second computer to provide an identification of the second computer, a visual interface is provided on the second computer to both notify a user of the second computer of the request and prompt the user to allow or deny the request.

Contrary to the limitations of amended independent claims 39, 43 and 47, Glasser is directed to controlling folder access permissions on a peer server 120. In column 7, Glasser discusses that commands for manipulating the access permissions may be received from either a user interface 125 of the peer server 120 or from another node of a network 110 to which the peer server 120 is connected. Glasser, 7:41-54. However, this disclosure fails to teach or suggest providing a visual interface in response to a request for identification to allow a user to accept or deny the request. In this regard, there is no teaching or suggestion in Glasser that the peer server 120 provides an interface on the peer server 120 in response to another node on the network 110 requesting identification of the peer server 120. Instead, the access permissions are established for purposes of regulating future access of a particular resource. Thus, Glasser fails to teach or suggest in response to an identification request, providing a visual interface on a computer to both notify a user of the computer of the request and prompt the user to allow or deny the request (claim 39); instructions to cause a processor of a processor-based system to in response to an identification request, provide a visual interface on a computer system to both notify a user of the computer system of the request and prompt the user to allow or deny the request (claim 43); or a computer coupled to a database to in response to an identification request, provide a visual interface on the computer to both notify a user of the computer of the request and prompt the user to allow or deny the request (claim 47). Claus fails to teach or suggest the missing claim limitations.

Thus, for at least any of the reasons set forth herein or previously set forth, claims 39-50 are patentable over the cited art. Therefore, Applicant respectfully requests a favorable action in the form of a Notice of Allowance. The Commissioner is authorized to pay any additional fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 20-1504 (ITL.0160US).

Respectfully submitted,



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